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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

LONDON, January 28.
A decree from Berlin convokes the
National Assembly at Weimar on
February 6.

CONSTITUTION NOT APPROVED.

LONDON, January 28.
German newspapers state that the
draft German Constitution (submitted
on January 24) was drawn up ex-
clusively by the Secretary of State
for the Interior and not approved by
the Government or by the Social
Democratic party.

The Prussian Ministry strongly
objects to the scheme as tending to
the disintegration of Prussia, while
Bavaria and Wurttemberg strongly
protest against the proposed ex-
cessive centralisation.

The central council has decided to
request the people's mandatories to
outline their own proposals for sub-
mission to the National Assembly.

BOLSHEVIKS AND THE CONFERENCE.

LONDON, January 28.
It transpires that the report that
at the Conference, M. Sazonoff, the
Russian Ambassador in Paris, had
favoured the Prinkipo proposal (as
submitted on January 23), was erro-
neous owing to telephonic mishearing.
It appears that M. Sazonoff opposes
the Prinkipo proposal (to include
Bolshevik representatives in the
Russian delegates).

CZECHS BEAT POLES.

LONDON, January 28.
The National Council at Breslau
reports that Czech troops, after
anguishful fighting, captured Oder-
berg from the Poles.

PARIS CONFERENCE.

A communiqué says the com-
mittee of the Peace Conference meets
on Monday morning to continue the
examination of territorial problems,
including the question of the Ger-
man colonies in Africa.

"RAPID RESULTS" WANTED.

M. Clemenceau begged the dele-
gates not to waste time with ques-
tions of procedure, when millions of
men are waiting to be demobilized.
They had no leisure to be unjust to
anyone but wished to devise a pro-
cedure leading to rapid results.

After a heated discussion between
M. Hymans and M. Clemenceau, the
latter asked that the small countries
meet on Monday afternoon to
select their members for the Com-
mittees.

This was not opposed, and the
sitting adjourned.

LABOUR.

LONDON, January 27.
Paris announces the arrival of Mr.
Henderson from Bern. He is con-
sulting Mr. Barnes, Mr. Thomas,
and the Trade Union Congress dele-
gates at the request of Mr. Lloyd
George as regards international
labour legislation. Mr. Henderson
stated that the Labour Conference
at Bern on February 3 would dis-
cuss methods for assuring a higher
standard of life in all countries,
without which he feared serious
labour troubles would be inevitable.
Mr. Henderson paid warm tribute
to the attitude of the British Govern-
ment towards the aspirations of
labour.

MANOEL BACK IN PORTUGAL.

LONDON, January 26.
From Vigo yesterday came word
that ex-King Manoel was reported to
have entered Portugal at six that
morning, crossing the Minho river
at Caminha.

LATER.

Renter learns that ex-King Manoel
is still in London, and does not in-
tend to go to Portugal.

ROYALIST LEADER SLAIN.

LONDON, January 26.
A telegram from Lisbon states that
Ornelas, the leader of the Royalist
party of Portugal, was killed at Mon-
santo Paus on January 20.

PARIS CITY TRAINS.

LONDON, January 26.
Normal train service on the Paris
Metro is now resumed.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISM.

LONDON, January 26.
From Geneva it is learned that the
official opening of the International
Socialist Congress at Bern is post-
poned till February 3 in order to
enable all the delegates to arrive.

U.S. PRESIDENT.

LONDON, January 26.
President and Mrs. Wilson pre-
ceded to Rheims this morning.
They will visit the cathedral, and
see the devastated towns and villages
at the Marne and Chateau Thierry,
returning to Paris in the evening.

NEW DUTCH MINISTER TO CHINA.

LONDON, January 27.
A message from The Hague, dated
January 16, says the new Dutch
Minister to Peking, M. Oudenlyk,
sailed from Rotterdam the day before
on the steamer "Insulinde."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

PARIS CONFERENCE.

SMALLER POWERS DISAPPOINTED.

Paris, January 28th.
Signor Orlando, Italy, M. Leon Bour-
geois, France, and the Chinese and Polish
Delegates warmly supported the resolu-
tion which was adopted unanimously.

M. Hymans, the Belgian Foreign
Minister, asked how the various Com-
mittees would be composed.

M. Clemenceau stated that the Great
Powers had decided that they should have
two delegates each, while the remaining
countries elected one delegate among
them. He suggested that the remaining
Nations should meet to-morrow afternoon
to choose the members for the committees.
The delegates of the Great Powers to the
League of Nations Committee were then
appointed.

M. Clemenceau's announcement aroused
dissent among the delegates of the smaller
powers.

CANADA PROTESTS.

Paris, January 28th.
The Brazilian Delegate claimed one
delegate on the League of Nations Com-
mittee.

Sir R. L. Borden, for Canada, pointed
out as the representative of one of the
smaller nations, that the League of
Nations was more important to them even
than to the great powers. He felt that
the matter was not placed before the
Conference in a very appropriate way
and should have been submitted to an
open Conference.

M. Trumbitch, of Serbia, claimed equal
representation with Belgium on the Com-
mittees.

M. Velizelos asked for representation
for Greece on the Reparation and Punish-
ment Committees. Senor Garcia, for
Portugal, claimed representation on the
Reparation Committee on the ground that
Portugal had suffered heavily in the war.
Czechoslovakia asked representation on
all Committees.

M. Bratiano, for Rumania, asked re-
presentation on the League of Nations
and Ports, and Waterways Committees
with special reference to the Danube.

BOLSHEVIKS WILLING.

Paris, January 28th.
M. Tchitcherine, the Bolshevik Foreign
Commissioner, has sent a message to the
Bolshevik Representative at Sweden ask-
ing for confirmation of the invitation to
the Paris Peace Conference, which he
declared, was made when the internal
situation of Russia was finally settled.
Moreover, he regards Prinkipo too dis-
tant but concludes: "We do not reject the
principle of the Conference and on receipt
of confirmation will carefully consider the
proposal."

THE LEAGUE COMMITTEE.

Paris, January 26th.
The representatives of the Great Powers
on the League of Nations Committee are:
United States—President Wilson and
Col. House.

Britain—Lord Robert Cecil and Sir
F. E. Smith.

France—M. Bourgeois, the leader of the
French League of Nations movement
and Mr. Laroque, Dean of the Faculty of
Law, Paris University.

Italy—Signor Orlando and Senator
Scialoja.

Japan—Viscount Chinda and Mr.
Ochiai.

PORTUGAL.

LONDON, January 25th.
The Republican troops, at noon, attack-
ed the rebels with bayonets, inflicting
heavy losses and capturing two batteries
and numerous prisoners.

A Republican aeroplane in the after-
noon flew over the city dropping patri-
otic leaflets and exciting enthusiasm among
the populace.

The President of the Republic, motored
along the streets and was acclaimed.
Incendiary fires in the suburbs were
quickly extinguished.

Telegraph communication with Oporto,
Braga, Viana and Vizay is interrupted.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LABOUR AGITATION AT HOME.

LONDON, January 28th.
A meeting of the Executive of the
Police Union last evening recommended
the men to apply for an enquiry which
the authorities had promised regarding
the dismissal of three Midlands railway
policemen. This decision has eased the
situation and a strike is considered un-
likely.

The strike at the Nott and Derbyshire
coalfields has ended, the employers with-
drawing the notices that men would be
dismissed to make room for returned
soldiers.

The Clyde strike situation is easier.
It is expected that many shipyard
workers will come out on Monday for a
forty hour week, but the stoppage will
probably be nothing like the scale anti-
cipated by the promoters.

The London Headquarters Municipal
Employees Association's refusal to strike
for pay is expected to prevent the
Glasgow Municipal employees from join-
ing the strike.

BOLSHEVİK THREAT.

BRAGAS, January 26th.
An Allied officer from Archangel says
that the Bolsheviks are preparing an
offensive for the Spring, and are endeav-
ouring to raise an army of 2,000,000.
They intend to begin in South Russia.

SILVER.

LONDON, January 27th.
The silver market is steady.

KO SHING POULTRY MARKET.

OBSTRUCTION PROCEEDINGS.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe,
C.S.P., summoned a poultry dealer,
on six counts, with obstructing Ko
Shing Street by placing his crates
of fowls in the street. He said that
the locality was used as a wholesale
poultry market, and the obstruction
had existed as far back as 1910. The
poultry came into the place during
the night for distribution in the
morning. An arrangement was then
entered into by which the dealers
were allowed to sort out their poultry
up to eight o'clock in the morning,
and after that the street was to be
cleared. This arrangement had not
been observed by the dealers, and the
state of affairs gradually got worse
and negotiations were entered into
with the Sanitary Authorities, and
as a result the dealers were offered
a piece of ground opposite the Sailors'
Home. They were allowed a con-
siderable length of time to make use
of the new site, but had not availed
themselves of the offer. He was in-
structed to take measures to miti-
gate the nuisance in Ko Shing Street.
The whole place was one mass of
crates, and if this continued he would
have to make further summons for
Li Shing Street as well.

Mr. Gardner, appearing for the
defence, said the practice had been
going on for a number of years. The
place was used as a wholesale mar-
ket for poultry, but for want of a
better place the fowls had been sent
down to Ko Shing Street. There
were three wholesale dealers in Ko
Shing Street. In the morning the
dealers from the various markets
came to choose their stocks. In
some cases there were more on hand
than was wanted, and the result was
a large number of crates accumulat-
ing, which dealers caused some
obstruction. The site which had
been offered them were absolutely
inadequate, the area being only 55ft.
by 60ft. He had consulted Mr.
Rees concerning the site. The
dealers hoped to be able in a few
days to remove the excess stock to
the place. In the meantime they
continued as tenants of the street
pending the erection of temporary
structures on the new site to accom-
modate their stocks. He hoped his
Worship would not be severe with
them, as the practice had been going
on for a number of years.

The C.S.P. said he would like to
lay stress on two points. The first
was that those dealers had been fined
\$5 each before for the same offence,
and they ought to know. The second
was that they were offered the new
site, but they had done absolutely
nothing. It was only when they
saw by the measures taken that the
Police meant business that they pro-
mised to take those steps. He went
down personally to Ko Shing Street
with a Police Officer and asked the
dealers to remove the obstruction
but they refused point blank. It
was the same case with other Police
Sergeants. These officers were de-
tailed for armed robbery cases which
had been frequent of late, but they
had to be turned to do municipal
work of this kind. He would suggest
that a substantial fine be imposed,
and 14 days given to the offenders
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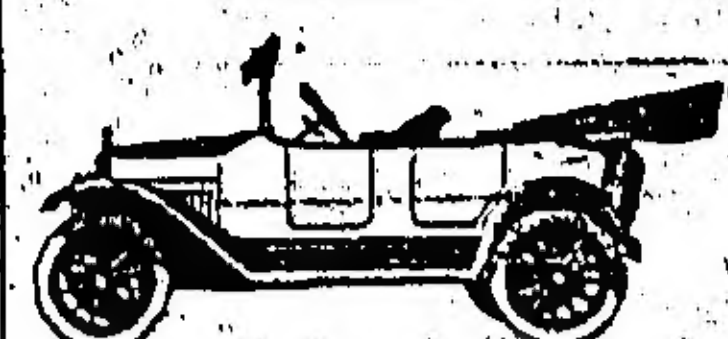
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In the endeavour to give the public
some idea of the stupendous nature of
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lecturing at the National Liberal Club
recently on "The Foundations of Recon-
struction," stated that the gold required to
carry out the war would be required to discharge
war expenditure for the current year.
If it were possible to obtain this gold to
pay for the war as we went along, it
would require 11,792 coal carts to convey
the bullion. Another method of estimate
gave the cost of the war for the current
year at £205 a second, or £342,465 an
hour. It was, as a matter of fact, im-
possible to pay for the war in gold, as
all the gold in the world amounted to
only two thousand millions, or about
two-thirds of the amount required.

RICE SITUATION IN CEYLON.

Although there has not been a very
marked decrease in the price of rice
since we last wrote, says the "Times of
Ceylon" of December 30 there has been
a further drop. Although this works out
at about 10 cents on a bushel, the fact
remains that the price is going down
steadily, and if the present daily decrease
continues, as there is every prospect it
will, prices should very soon be normal
again. The price of a bushel of the best
Rangoon rice about 20 days ago was Rs.
24; to-day it is between Rs. 17.50 and
Rs. 18. As we have already mentioned
nearly a hundred licenses have been
issued to import rice from Rangoon from
now till the end of January, and a plen-
tiful supply is ensured for the first month
in the new year. For the immediate
present there are large stocks in hand,
and shipments are coming in almost
daily.

A STORY OF D'ESPÉREY.

The following will be read with in-
terest by those whose handwriting is
illegible like that of so many among us.
General d'Espérey, the Commander
of the Allied Forces on the Salonika
front, writes a nearly illegible hand.
Recently (so the story goes) he sent a
despatch post-haste to one of his officers
in charge of an up-country detachment.
The recipient, not being able to make
anything of it, not even recognising the
series of nearly straight lines that did
duty for a signature, returned the docu-
ment to headquarters. D'Espérey, in his
turn, not recognising it as his own, and
equally in the dark as to its meaning,
told the adjutant to send the despatch
back whence it came and inform the
sender that he had better learn to write.
But, sir, this is one of your own des-
patches," the adjutant replied. "The
officer you addressed it to has returned
it, saying he cannot make it out."
Then send it back once more and
tell him to learn to read," thundered
d'Espérey.

HISTORIC ERROR.

A curious error in President Wilson's
famous fourteen points of peace has been
discovered. It appears to have been cir-
culated all over the world and may there-
fore be taken as having been originally
made by the President's secretary. It
seems in the original text that the
made to read: "The people of Austria-
Hungary, whose place among the nations
we wish to see safe-guarded and assured;
should be accorded the first opportunity
of autonomous development." The au-
thoritative text, approved by the Presi-
dent, shows that the word first should be
"freest." Many have been puzzled
to know why President Wilson desired
the people of Austria-Hungary to be
given priority.

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TO SCOTS ABROAD.

Dae ony o' ye ca' to mind
The brigs o' Don and Dee
Or lang to be where Gamie rings
At the back o' Bonachie?
Sons of the Rock and Falkirk Bairns!
Lang exiles though ye've been
The hills that faced the English boats—
Rise they before your e'en?
Braw lads from Gale's winding stream!
Is Jethart here this night?
Does Hawick sing his Bonny hymn
That aye gie'd us a tricht?
Hoo many o' ye mind the Law
And sunsets of Dundee?
The boss that rocks in Largo Bay?
The Lang Toon by the sea?
The waves that kiss the Misty Isle,
The shieling on the brae,
The bonnie birk, the rowan tree
That never fades away?
Dae ony o' ye hear in dreams
St. Andrew's warning, "Fore!"
Or view through Kirrie windows yet
The Howe of wide Strathmore?
Is there aye here what beauty means,
Has travelled wide and far,
But never saw a scene so match-
The Loch behind Davar?
Where'er ye hail true, honest chiefs!
The Forth or Dromielaw,
Frae Galloway or John O'Groats
May blessings on ye fall!

FAR EASTERN MAILS.

Everyone is doubtless much interested
in what the future arrangements of mail
communications with the Far East are
likely to be, says the "London and China
Express." For the present we shall have
to continue to receive our inward mails
by the firm hope that the day of lost mails,
with all their inconveniences, has passed.
So far the outward mail departures
seem uncertain, but doubtless we shall
in time get into the regular swing of
things. Certainly most people would
like a resumption of the old day (Fri-
day) of despatch for Eastern mails, and
we may perhaps ere long get back to
that state.

GERMAN TRADE IN JAYA.

"Lloyd's List" publishes an extract
from the report of the British Vice-
Consul in Sourabaya in which he states
that German trade is still very flourish-
ing in the Netherlands East Indies. The
Germans have almost a monopoly in the
fancy goods trade. The large stocks in
the hands of the German firms prior to
the outbreak of the war enable them to
make very large profits. Furthermore,
the German houses have taken much
trouble to extend their trade relations
during the war by contracts for delivery
post bellum, says the "Händlerblatt."

INFLUENZA VACCINE FOR INDIA.

Arrangements are being made in India
to prepare and keep large supplies of the
new vaccine for treatment of influenza.
Thirty-five thousand double doses are
available at this moment in the Parel
laboratory, Bombay, and issues have
already been made to military authori-
ties. During the month of November,
in Rangoon, there were 1,155 deaths from
influenza divided among the various
communities as follows:—Europeans 4;
Anglo-Indians 9; Hindus 638; Mohammedans
164; Burmese 247; Chinese 61; other
communities 83.

LLOYD GEORGE'S MOY.

Much amusement has been caused in
political circles in England by the dis-
closure of the fact that the much-ad-
mired film of the life of Mr. Lloyd George
is being produced by a company of which
all the directors, formerly born German
names. Two formerly named Rosen-
bergs now call themselves Brownson,
Wohlgenuth becomes Willmot, Gelberth
Gilbert, and Koppel Ray. Mr. Rudyard
Kipling must have been much troubled
over the discovery, for he believes that
trade with people of German birth should
be prohibited for twenty-five years, for
it is through trade that the virus of Ger-
man infection may be introduced into
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OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 3 of the
DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS AND
VENTILATION BY-LAWS (as amend-
ed), every Domestic Building or part of
such Building within the CENTRAL
Division of the City of Victoria, and the
WESTERN Division of Kowloon occupied
by Members of more than one family,
except those within the European Re-
servation or in Kowloon South of
Austin Road, or those parts of a
Domestic Building used as a shop, office
or godown, must be CLEANSED and
DISEASED THROUGHOUT by the
Owners during the months of December
and January.N.B.—The word "throughout" used in
this Notice means that the Houses should be
lime-washed in respect of all the Walls of
each Room, all Cubicles, Partitions, Stair
Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and
the Under-sides of Roofs in Main
Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters
and inclusive of Verandahs.The Enquiry must have its containing
Walls lime-washed up to the level of the
First Floor.Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork
in good condition, however, need not be
lime-washed, but must be Cleaned.The CENTRAL Division of the City
lies between Gilsan and Peel
Streets, on the East and Tank Lane
and Cleverly Street on West.Kowloon is divided into the Eastern
and Western Divisions by Nathan Road
and a straight line drawn from the
North end through the Yau-mai service
reservoir to the Northern Boundary of
Kowloon.D. DANBY,
Secretary.

Dated this 24th day of Jan., 1919.

G. R.

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS with the exception
of those of Chinese race desiring to
leave the Colony should apply in
person at the Central Police Station
between the hours of 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.
and 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. daily.Applicants will be required to produce
passports or identification papers. All
persons, with certain exceptions, who
remain in the Colony for more than
7 days are required to Register them-
selves under the REGISTRATION OF
PEOPLES ORDINANCE 1916. Forms
of "Registration" giving the particulars
required may be obtained at the G.P.O.
and at all Police Stations.
The Penalty for non-compliance is a
fine not exceeding \$50.

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE.

SPEECH DAY.

This important event of the school took place yesterday afternoon and was attended by a large gathering of visitors, friends and parents of the pupils. The hall of St. Stephen's College had been loaned for the occasion, the girls at present having no accommodation, owing to the earthquake damage to their old building.

There was an attractive display of flags, these were tastefully hung, and formed a sitting for the platform on which his lordship the Bishop of Victoria, Mrs. Turner, and other notable visitors sat. The platform, later served as a stage on which several songs were effectively sung by a batch of the pupils. Some scenes from "Garret and Lynette" were also enacted by the same girls. The lines being well recited, the little play at its close drew forth applause from the visitors.

His Lordship, who is Chairman of the School Council, said that they lived in a time of great changes, and changes in connection with their educational work in the Colony seemed to be taking place very rapidly indeed. Since they last met in connection with the school, many things had happened. The earthquake had almost shaken down their old school, and this with other changes which had been made necessitated very considerable new plans. He was persuaded that they were on the eve of a new era in their educational work in the Colony. He was certain that in the near future they would see tremendous strides. He ventured to say that Archdeacon Barnett before the close of the meeting would be able to sketch out for them some of the movements that were on foot at the present time in connection with the College. He thought he was coming to a prize-meeting, but the girls of the College were wonderfully up-to-date and very courageous. He praised the commendable decision of the girls in doing away with prizes and substituting certificates and entertainments instead. The girls were content to work for their sake and were up-to-date in that they followed the example of the best schools in England and discarded the old-fashioned practice of prize-giving. Referring to the programme of songs etc., his Lordship said that there was no "prize-giving" they appreciated more than that of their school, and he was sure there was no function they would enjoy more than St. Stephen's Girls' College Speech Day. He expressed thanks for the loan of the hall, and he hoped that in a few years they would have as good a hall of their own to which to invite their friends on Speech Day. (Applause.)

The school boys were then sung and the Principal, Miss Griffin followed with the reading of the annual report, which appeared in yesterday's "China Mail".

Three students of the school made speeches concerning the founding of the school Y.W.C.A. and its organisation, the social work, and the school sports.

In speaking of their Y.W.C.A. organisation, Miss W. C. Kwok said that the Association was started in their school in 1917. Their three delegates who had been at the student's summer Conference held at Canton, told them of the benefits they had heard of organising Y.W.C.A. work in schools. They felt such an Association was helpful because it would give them the chance of learning how to organize and carry through work by their own effort. This would be very useful as it served to train them for future work after leaving the school. Their association was still in its infancy, but they felt that it would be of help in making them think for themselves, and they hoped it would be of greater help to their acquaintances.

Miss W. Chan in speaking of the social work of the School said they had a branch of the M. C. L. which was well supported.

They were thankful to several persons who had shown them the way to work and helping them to realise some ways in which they might help their own homes, and those less fortunate than themselves with whom they could share some of the things they had learnt at school. They were further shown that if they wished to serve China at this time of crisis they must all begin by bearing to replace an independent selfish spirit by one of loving service.

Miss M. Ho Tung spoke of the great strides made in sports. Some of them realised the benefits of sports but others are still slow to rise to this, for they thought that any hours spent on games are so much time wasted. They had failed to remember that a sound mind must be in a sound body to bring forth the highest and best result. They were thankful to Mrs. Kwok Shue Liao for lending her garden for a very happy party for their kindergarten and to Mrs. Lo for lending them her two lovely courts for playing croquet matches.

The certificates and scholarships were then distributed by Mrs. Turner. In introducing her his Lordship said they were all feeling sorry that Sir Henry May had resigned the Governorship of the Colony and that sorrow was rather deepened by the fact that it meant that Lady May would be no longer with them to present the prizes and take part in functions of this kind; but they were very thankful that another lady was present, the wife of the genial Commodore, who took a great interest in schools. They were very glad to welcome Mrs. Turner and asked her to present the certificates.

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COMPANY REPORT.

HOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The 80th report of the board of directors to be presented on Feb. 4 reads: The Directors now submit to you a Statement of the affairs of the Company, and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1918.

The Balance of the Profit and Loss Account for the year including \$1,008.64 balance brought forward from last account, after writing off all charges and expenses, amounts to \$17,500.82. The Directors recommend that a Dividend of \$2.85 per share be paid, which will leave a balance of \$400.82 to be carried forward to the Credit of a new Profit and Loss Account.

Directors.—Messrs. T. E. Pearce and J. Rodger now retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election.

Auditor.—The Accounts have been audited by Mr. H. Percy Smith who now retires and offers himself for re-election.

T. F. HOUGH,
Chairman.

Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1919.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1918.

LIABILITIES.

Nominal Capital 5,000 Shares

at \$50 per share ... \$250,000.00

Issued Capital 5,000 Shares

at \$50 per share Paid up ... 180,000.00

Account Payable ... 770.47

Dividends Outstanding ... 828.23

Balance of Profit and Loss

Account ... 17,500.82

\$199,000.74

ASSETS.

Cost of Property ... \$183,755.06

Cash ... 13,263.04

Accounts Receivable ... 2,983.75

\$199,000.74

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

DEBIT.

To Charges ... \$334.23

To Repairs ... 3,080.12

To Fire Insurance ... 442.09

To Crown Rent ... 780.40

To Commission to Agents ... 1,410.73

To Directors' Fees ... 500.00

To Auditor's Fee ... 50.00

To Balance carried down ... 15,592.98

\$23,375.26

CREDIT.

By Rent ... \$2,228.50

By Interest ... 139.78

By Scrip Fees ... 9.00

\$2,377.28

To Balance to be appropriated

as follows:—

Dividend of \$2.85 per share ... 17,500.00

To be carried to New Profit and Loss Account ... 400.82

\$17,500.82

By Balance brought down ... 15,592.98

By Balance from last Account ... 1,008.64

\$17,500.82

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THE CORONET THEATRE.

"THE YANKEE WAY."

At the Coronet Theatre last night the management showed "The Yankee Way" for the first time. We have no hesitation in saying that it is a splendid film, well shown, and the theatre patrons were unanimous and liberal in their praise. On every side could be heard flattering remarks. "It is the best picture I've seen in Hongkong" was heard frequently. "Splendid" and other expressions of appreciation. It is a fine story, has a plot, and yet is full of humour. The story starts in Chicago and continues in Lithuania in the Balkans. George Walsh in the role of "Dick Mason" immediately became popular, but there are other entertaining characters as well. By all those who go to picture plays must be seen or they will be sorry for the omission.

There are also other pictures, a Pathé-color picture, "The Mountains of Avergne," which is very interesting, and a capital under comedy. He should wear braces. This picture caused unrestrained laughter. The Coronet orchestra complete a really splendid programme.

This programme will be repeated tonight and to-morrow at 8.15 and 9.15 p.m. so no time should be lost. Booking is at the Robinson Piano Company.

THE VICTORIA THEATRE.

There was a fair house at the Victoria Theatre last night when the film "A Wife's Forgiveness" was shown. As far as the photography and acting are concerned it was good but the story was a sordid one and of the type that will never be popular. The rest of the programme was good. A big theatre deserves a programme wholly good. The Spanish Dancers The Yaras met with a good reception—their dancing was worthy of it.

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It was agreed upon by those present to maintain their subscriptions throughout the coming year. Copies of the Circular issued by the Committee with regard to War Contributions can be obtained from Mr. D. Forbes c/o Hongkong Bank. The Committee welcome donations and subscriptions should be sent.

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U.S. RICE RESTRICTIONS RE-IMPOSED.

The American Consul General here received instructions from Washington to the effect that for the time being the War Trade Board has suspended restrictions on rice effective at once, and until further instructions the Consulate General will not carry out its orders regarding rice with specific authority from the Department of State. This suspension, however, does not affect shipments of rice in transit. The matter of the shipment of rice bought for shipment to the United States on contracts made between the removal of the restrictions and the reimposition thereof is under no official notice.

OPIUM BURNING AT SHANGHAI.

The first lot of the Indian opium has "gone up in smoke," and at nine o'clock this morning (says the "N.C." Daily News) of Jan. 21) the examiners will tackle the second half. It is calculated that the whole will be disposed of by the evening of January 26, it being definitely decided that all is to be burned as originally planned, in spite of various suggestions offered that at least a part of the drug would be acceptable to the Red Cross societies or foreign hospitals.

Much quicker work was done at the Pootung, opium destroying furnaces than had been expected. Two hundred chests were burned on Sunday, and yesterday saw the last half of the first lot of 542 chests unceremoniously drop into the furnace.

Yesterday afternoon the 565 chests Messrs. Saisoon's godown were moved to Messrs. Jardine's godown, next to the Chinese Post-office, where they can be examined more conveniently, and it is expected will be passed by Friday and burned on Saturday and Sunday.

The opium burned on Sunday and yesterday "went up in smoke" in a big lot. In order to get the job finished as rapidly as possible, the stuff was tumbled into the four furnaces so fast that a great part of the opium went into the air in the form of smoke, leaving a minimum quantity of ash and those who were in the vicinity of the furnaces or in the direction taken by the wind-bound air could get a very good idea of what burning opium smells like, if they did not know before.

On Sunday afternoon chemical analysis was made of the ashes, which were found to contain no trace of opium so thoroughly was the drug carbonized, the ashes being simply black carbon. However, no chances are to be taken even with the harmless ashes; this residue from the burning has been carefully guarded and bagged and will be taken out to sea by a revenue cruiser and there sunk.

A woman about 65 years of age was knocked down by a tram car this morning in Des Voeux Road, West, at about 10.45 and suffered injuries on the right side of the head, and a broken collar bone. Mr. McMorley, who was travelling on a car going in the opposite direction, rendered first aid and was assisted by Mr. W. S. Pan of the Y. M. C. A. division. The patient was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital, on the whole ambulance which had been telephoned for in the meantime. Dr. Lo Hong anogen attended to the case. In addition to her other injuries, the patient is suffering from loss of memory.

THE SUPREME COURT.

WHO'S YOUR TAILOR?

Before Mr. Justice Gomperts in the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. J. S. Caffyn, assistant, Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co., sued The Diamond Dyeing and Dry Cleaning Co., Shaukiwan, claiming \$100 for damages caused to his dress coat and gloves through the negligent cleaning of same.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the plaintiff whilst Mr. F. X. d'Almada was for the defendants.

Mr. Gardiner said his client sent the goods to the defendants to be dry cleaned and they were returned in a damaged condition. The plaintiff communicated with the defendants but received no reply and consequently brought this action.

The plaintiff in the witness box said he purchased the dress suit from Messrs. Wheeler and Co., London, for \$9.10. This was in 1914 when he was in Haiphong. He wore it about a dozen times there. Witness came to Hongkong in 1916. He did not wear the suit here. About the 9th or 10th August, witness had occasion to take the suit out to dry and the coat fell from the verandah on to a pool of muddy water in the road. He immediately sent it to the defendants to be dry cleaned. The coat was returned to him on August 16, and he discovered that it had shrunk about the shoulders; it was also torn. It fitted him well before, despite the fact that he was then much stouter than he was now. Witness sent a letter to Cavum Ahmad, the defendants' town agent asking that something be done to it. At the same time, he sent back a pair of his wife's gloves to be re-cleaned. It cost him \$3 odd to clean the lot. The gloves were not spoiled, but they had not been cleaned. He received no reply to his letter, and consequently instructed his solicitors to write to the defendants. In his opinion, the coat had been washed with soap and water instead of being dry cleaned, and that accounted for the shrinking. The trousers and waistcoat were useless to him unless the coat could be replaced. There is similar stuff in Hongkong. Messrs. Lane, Crawford could make a similar coat for \$150.

Mr. d'Almada: That is an enormous price. Mr. Gardiner and myself called at Shaw's yesterday and they asked \$90 for a whole suit.

Continuing the witness said he sent his coat for the things together with the money and when he found that the coat had shrunk, he immediately sent it back with a letter, the copy of which was produced in court. Witness had had six years dry cleaning experience in South Africa and could give expert evidence as to the method of dry cleaning. Benzine and certain chemicals were used in the process of cleaning. When witness first arrived here, he worked at the Steam Laundry Co., as superintendent and later joined the Eastern Dyeing and Dry Cleaning Co., but had to resign owing to illness. He then joined Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. The coat smelt of soap and water. If properly dried and cleaned, there would be no smell.

Mr. d'Almada, smelling the coat, said it bore a strong smell of soda rather than of soap.

Mr. Gardiner: That makes the matter worse for your client.

Mr. d'Almada (to the witness): I put it to you that this coat is not yours—I can prove it is.

Have you got a bill?—No, it was ordered through an agent in Haiphong.

From an East End tailor?

Mr. Gardiner: No, Messrs. Wheeler's is right in the centre of London. Perhaps my friend has never been anywhere near it.

Replying to a remark by his Lordship, Mr. d'Almada said his tailors were Marshall's of Jernyn Street.

Continuing his cross-examination of the witness, Mr. d'Almada asked why, if he knew anything about dry cleaning, did he not clean his coat himself.

Witness: Because I would be going against the law if I handled the chemicals.

Why did you not send it to the Eastern Dry Cleaning Co.? Your brother is manager there is he not?

Witness: My step brother, you mean? He is the proprietor of the Eastern. I did not send my coat there because we are not on good terms.

Paul Aycock, the witness's step brother, said he was the proprietor of the Eastern Dyeing and Dry Cleaning Co. Given the coat, he said it had been washed in soap and water, and that accounts for the shrinking.

By Mr. d'Almada: If the coat had been dipped in benzine it would not have shrunk. The muddy water might have caused a little shrinking, but not to that extent.

Mr. Gardiner, having closed the case for the plaintiff, the manager of the defendant company went into the witness box and, in reply to Mr. d'Almada, said when he received the coat, it was still wet and was soiled with mud. He hung it up to dry and then used ammonia to remove the stains. The coat was then cleaned in the usual way, by using benzine and certain chemicals.

His Lordship gave judgement for the plaintiff for a sum to be agreed upon by the parties concerned.

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By G. B. LEICHTEN.

That so much discussion has already taken place on that most important question, the future of British shipping, in the various newspapers and periodicals which concern themselves with shipping interests, is certainly a most strange fact; that nothing has been heard of any action contemplated by British shipping firms of the Far East to strengthen and consolidate their present position against the competition that has already set in from sources which at present control the major portion of the freight and passenger trade of the Pacific.

In the course of the past four years shipping firms the world over have been reaping abnormal profits. But in the majority of cases, this has not blinded them to the international trade war of the future. The Companies that are operated under the most up-to-date system of modern business methods, and which at the present time place themselves on the soundest bases for the future, will certainly prosper as successful enterprises.

A study of the methods adopted by the shipping companies of the Western Hemisphere becomes interesting when it is noted how they have prepared for future competition in connection with the carriage of the world's tonnage. The amalgamation of shipping firms, and the gradual decline of the small companies has steadily progressed almost unnoticed.

Large combines of shipping have arisen and they, with their enormous capital to back them, and the tonnage at their disposal, are destined to play a most important part in the developments of the future.

With such altered conditions apparent in the West, we would most naturally think that shipping companies interested in the China trade would have adopted and carried out a somewhat similar programme. In the past they have had things more or less their own way, with little or no competition from outside sources, but now that Japan is in the field, much competition is to be expected. This must be coped with if British shipping is to hold its own.

Competition from this quarter is not to be regarded lightly, for Japan, it must be remembered, is today a leading power of the world; in addition to many other things, her Merchant Marine is not the least to be considered. Operating over a vast area, both East and West she has taken every advantage of her opportunities.

The Japanese flag is now to be encountered on all waters, and an efficient service of steamers is maintained with all countries. Competition with Britain has already set in from Japan on the China coast, and British shipping companies are realizing to the full the real menace of this.

An amalgamation of many of the smaller firms directly concerned would in great measure avert the danger and a huge combine operating the shipping on the coast's feeders to the ocean shipping would have but little to fear from outside competition.

The present system of control of shipping leaves room for outside interests to enter which would automatically be closed if an amalgamation were to take place and a new spirit of cooperation would arise between the different firms.

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San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Willis	Java-China-Japan Ltd.	On 8th Feb.
New York via Panama Canal	Bloemfontein	The Bank Line, Limited	About middle of Feb.
Victoria B.C. & Seattle via Shanghai &c.	Fushimi Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 27th Mar., at 11 a.m.
Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle & Tacoma.	Amkasa Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 25th Feb., at 3 p.m.
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 27th Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 3rd Feb., at 11 a.m.
Australian Ports via Japan	Anyo Maru	Toyoko Kisen Kaisha	On 21st March.
Australian Ports via Japan	Seiyu Maru	Toyoko Kisen Kaisha	On 7th May.
Japan	Banri Maru	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 14th Feb.
Shanghai	Suiyang	Butterfield & Swire	On 3rd Jan., at Noon.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Sanaing	Butterfield & Swire	On 8th Feb., at Noon.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Iyo Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 26th Feb., at 11 a.m.
Keelung via Swatow and Amoy	Kosoku Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 1st Feb.
Takao via Swatow & Amoy	Amkasa Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 2nd Feb., at 10 a.m.
Manila	Yunyang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 30th Jan., at 3 p.m.
Java	Hokuto Maru	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	About 10th Feb.
London	Kalomo	The Bank Line Limited	About 4th Feb.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 23rd Feb., at 11 a.m.
Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Port Said	Kwasang	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Feb., at 3 p.m.
Singapore, Rangoon & Calcutta	Shinobiki Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 30th Jan.
Bombay, via Singapore, Malacca & Colombo	Kifune Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Middle of Feb.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 3rd Feb. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, Jan. 25, 1919.

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All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

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Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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E. V. D. PARR,
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Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1919.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and MANILA.

THE Steamship

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Storage charges will be assessed on all cargo remaining undelivered on January 31, 1919, at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claim will be recognized after the goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into Company's Godown, where they will be examined on February 3, 1919, at 10 a.m.

No claim will be recognized if filed after February 3, 1919.

T. DAIGO,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 23, 1919.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on January 28, 1919, at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

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THE BAD BRIDGE PLAYER.

We have all met the bad player and probably most of us have had more to do with him than we altogether appreciate, says a writer in the "Pioneer". However, he forms an interesting study if only as a warning as to what to avoid. There are, of course, bad players of all sorts and descriptions, but four of the chief offenders are—

- (a) The excitable player.
- (b) The player with a bad memory.
- (c) The careless player.
- (d) The too deliberate player.

(a) The excitable player is apt to get carried away by his emotions when declaring and often does not know when to stop. If he has a suit of six or seven with four honours in it, he cannot bear to be beaten by an adverse declaration in a superior suit. Here is a case in point. My partner was on the dealer's left and held the four major honours in hearts with seven in the suit, ace and one small diamond, queen and two small clubs and a singleton spade. The dealer declared one diamond and my partner went two hearts. "Two spades," cried third player. "Three hearts," returned my partner. "Three spades," cried third player. "Four hearts," returned my partner. "This was too much for my partner, who promptly doubled. 'Redouble,' the third player promptly retorted, my partner was by this time in a frame of excitement and shouted 'Five hearts.' 'Double,' cried third player. 'Redouble,' said my partner, and the declaration finally stood at this. The result was we only made seven hearts and the ace of diamonds, and were 500 down on the hand. 'Very sorry,' said my partner at the end of the hand. 'I know I ought not to have redoubled, but I could not help it with such a glorious heart hand.'

The excitable player lets you down in this kind of way occasionally but he is a good fellow as a rule and a cheery partner, who frankly acknowledges his mistake, and it is easy to forgive him. (b) The player with a bad memory is a very dangerous partner—you never know where you are with him, and in any critical situation he is nearly sure to let you down. There have been, say, three rounds of a suit in no trumps, it is dummy's turn to lead and he has the nine and six remaining. This is the occasion when the man with the bad memory will suddenly forget if the ten has been played or not. He will pull out the five from dummy, and held it in the middle of the table for about a minute, throw his eyes up to the ceiling and exclaim in a voice of agony, 'I really cannot remember, partner.' Finally he pushes the nine back into dummy's hand, and leads another suit and so misses game, the ten having been played in the second round.

Or again, in the course of the building you have declared a diamond, and the player on your left, a heart, and the adversaries are finally left in with two no trumps. As soon as your partner with the bad memory gets in, he promptly leads a heart, and it is small consolation when he afterwards says, 'Sorry, partner, I quite forgot your declaration. I thought you said one heart.'

(c) The careless player usually makes his mistakes because either he is in too much of a hurry or because he commits the opposite fault and goes to sleep. Such a player will sometimes get wildly excited when he has an exceptionally good hand to play. He dashes out his cards with lightning speed, he hardly pauses to gather the tricks together still less to pile them neatly, and finally he lays down his last five or six cards, and says, 'Four tricks in hearts which make game, and sixty-four in honours.' 'Would you mind playing out the hand?' says the fourth player quietly and it is found that the careless player has forgotten to draw the last trump, and he only takes a three tricks.

The opposite fault of going to sleep is equally common. The player has had a hard day's work, he is tired or worried over something or other, and cannot concentrate his mind on the game. This is the state of mind which leads to reverses. But apart from the heinous offence of revoking, a man in this 'semi-sleepy' condition will often play in a mechanical way without thinking, and as a result, like the excitable player, go so far as to pull out the wrong card. I have seen such a man play the nine of diamonds to a trick over the king, and begin gathering up the trick as if it were his, until the adversaries protested when he took a start, stared in a dazed sort of way at the nine of diamonds and said, 'Sorry, partner, I pulled out the wrong card. I thought I had played the wrong card. I thought I had played the wrong card.'

(d) The too deliberate player is a nuisance to the whole table. He wastes his own and every one else's time, makes the rubber drag dreadfully and takes all the life out of the game. With all his expenditure of thought, he is generally a bad player. Too much deliberation never pays, and just as the over-cautious player who addresses his ball for five minutes is a very bad player, so the too deliberate card player, who very often ends by playing exactly as he should not have done. Perhaps it is a question of whether as a third hand to finesse or not. The too deliberate player goes earnestly at the two cards which have been played and attempts all the cards in his own hand twice over. He then asks his partner what the score is and counts the cards in dummy and the trick which he has made. He pulls a card half out of his hand, but does not put it back, casts a deprecating look at his partner, and says, 'It is really very difficult, partner. I don't know what to do.' He then goes into a brown study for a full minute, again glances at the score, changes his cards all over for the third time and finally plays the wrong card.

HONGKONG SKETCH CLUB.

The Annual Meeting of the Sketch Club was held at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening, when it was announced that the sum of \$370.95 had been raised for the Red Cross as a result of the late exhibition at the City Hall. It was remarked that a similar exhibition this year could only comprise work of the current year, and consequently a smaller number of pictures would be available. It might be an advantage therefore if a Committee interested in photography could be formed to work in conjunction with the Sketch Club, for the purpose of a joint exhibition of Painting, Drawing, and Photographic Art to be held next December.

The Sketch Club Meetings will be held once every two months this year, instead of monthly, and it is hoped that this will enable more works to be sent in, as it has been found that a spell of bad weather has sometimes caused the monthly entries to be unsatisfactory. At each of these meetings there will be two classes of exhibits, viz. one subject set by the Committee, programme of which will be circulated shortly, and one open subject. The value of helpful criticism was mentioned, and a hope expressed that members will send in their work in good time for this purpose. The system of voting has been altered to encourage regular contributions, and with the suggested Annual Exhibition to work for, it is felt that a successful season should be secured. A vote of thanks to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer terminated the proceedings.

BOATS DUE TO ARRIVE AND DEPART.

VESSELS DUE TO ARRIVE.

JANUARY 27.
TAIYAN MARU, N.Y.K., from Japan, with mail.
SHINGCHIKU MARU, N.Y.K., from Japan, with mail.

JANUARY 28.
HITSON, B. and S., from Japan.

JANUARY 31.
CYCLOPS, B. and S., from Singapore, with mail.

FEBRUARY 5.
PYRRHUS, B. and S., from Liverpool. COURAGEOUS, Pacific Mail, from San Francisco via Vladivostok.

FEBRUARY 8.
NOVARA, P. and O., from London.

FEBRUARY 9.
TENYO MARU, T.K.K., from San Francisco, with mail.

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ATREUS, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 10.
HOKUTO MARU, D. & Co., from Japan.

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FEBRUARY 12.
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA, Canadian Pacific, from Vancouver, with mail.

FEBRUARY 15.
BANRI MARU, D. & Co., from Java.

FEBRUARY 15.
ELPENOR, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 15.
COLOMBIA, Pacific Mail, from San Francisco, with mail.

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DEPARTING VESSELS.

JANUARY 23.
SHINGCHIKU MARU, N.Y.K., for Calcutta via Singapore.

JANUARY 23.
INABA MARU, N.Y.K., for Japan.

JANUARY 23.
ECUADOR, Pacific Mail, for San Francisco.

JANUARY 30.
HYSON, B. and S., for Japan via Shanghai.

JANUARY 31.
NINGCHOW, B. and S., for London.

JANUARY 31.
SIBERIA MARU, T. K. K., for San Francisco.

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KOSOKU MARU, N.Y.K., for Japan.

FEBRUARY 1.
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FEBRUARY 3.
WILLIS, J. C. J. L., for San Francisco.

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CYCLOPS, B. and S., for Seattle, via Japan.

FEBRUARY 6.
CHINA, China Mail, for San Francisco, via Japan and Honolulu.

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FEBRUARY 16.
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FEBRUARY 18.
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FEBRUARY 20.
COLOMBIA, Pacific Mail, for San Francisco.

FEBRUARY 21.
AGAMEMNON, B. and S., for Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 23.
NORE, P. and O., for London, via Marseilles.

FEBRUARY 23.
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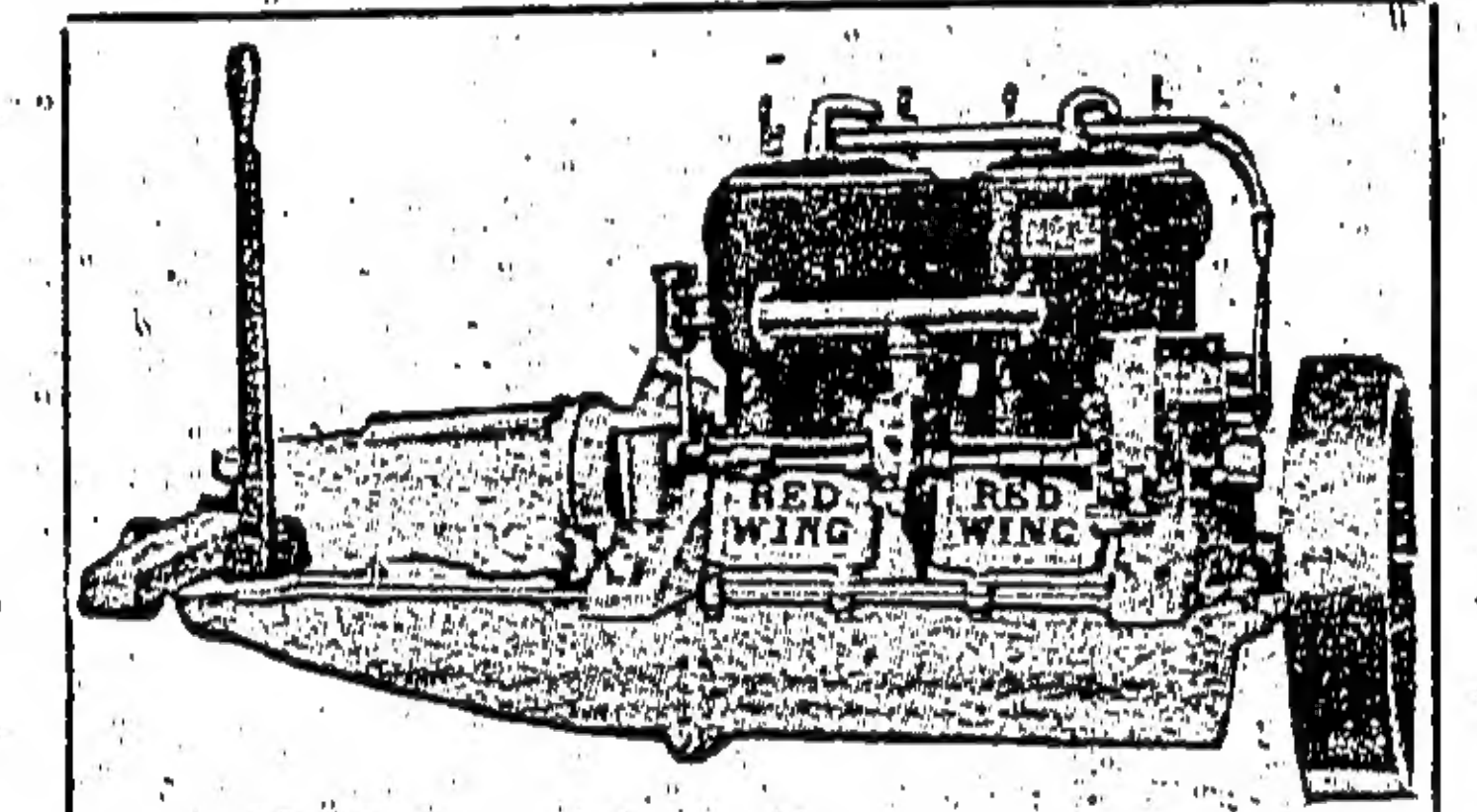
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The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of China, Vicenza, Treviso, Padua, Venice and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Service to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Forces), and to Abyssinia, Bagdad, Brithra, French Somali Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia have been suspended.

Registered and Insured Mails close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated.

INWARD MAILS.

TO-DAY, January 23.
Straits—Per HYNON.
FRIDAY, January 31.
Straits—Per DUNERA.
SATURDAY, February 1.
Straits—Per CHUNSAUNG.

OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, January 23.
Shanghai and North China—Per SHUNTUNG, 3 a.m.

Bangkok—Per CHUNSAUNG, 10 a.m.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America, and EUROPE via San Francisco—Per ECUADOR, Registration 10.45 a.m., Letters 10.3 a.m.

Japan via Moji—Per RIJUN MARU, 9 a.m.
Saigon—Per TELEMACHUS, 4 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOSEI MARU, 6.01 p.m.

Haiphong—Per CORNELIA, 5 p.m.
Saigon—Per KWANGSIF, 6 p.m.
Bangkok—Per CHUNSAUNG, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, January 24.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong—Per SONG MA, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per SUYAN, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per CHANGSHA, Registration 12.45 p.m., Letters 12.1 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per YUENSANG, 2 p.m.

Weihaiwei and Chefoo—Per KUEICHOW, 2 p.m.

Japan via Moji—Per LUZON MARU, 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per WOSANG, 3 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Straits, Bangkok and EUROPE via Suez—Per NINGCHOW, Registration 5 p.m., Letters 4 p.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Thursday, Jan. 30, at 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, January 31.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America, and EUROPE via San Francisco—Per SIBERIA MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m., Letters 10.30 a.m.

Holla—Per RAOUL MARU, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, February 2.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per AMARU, 9 a.m.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per HUPEH, 9 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, February 6.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung—Per HAIKOW, 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 6.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 11 a.m.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMER.

The C.M.S.S. Co. "China" arrived at Maitai on January 27, and will be dispatched for Hongkong on Thursday, January 30.

BILLIARDS.

THE GARRISON TOURNAMENT.
8th Co. R.G.A. v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

At the Soldiers' Club last night, commenced the competition for the Garrison Cup, which is contested for by the various regiments and corps, with teams of eight men, and is on the knock-out principle. Play was slow but this was the fault of a new cloth and a doubtful level. As the result of the three games played last night, the 8th Co. R.G.A. enjoy a lead of 84 over the Royal Engineers. The best breaks were 22 by Curtis and 19 by Bell. To-night three more games will be played and the remaining two on Wednesday night. Last night's scores follow:

8th Co. R.G.A. v. Royal Engineers.
Sgt. Baakings 200 Sgt. Heath 178
Gr. Harris 200 Cpl. Tindley 147
Gr. Donaldson 240 Sgt. Bell 191

STRAIGHT AT IT.

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THE BOY CUMES HOME.
I am back in the office again. On the first day of my return, the undermanager seemed at a loss to know what to do with me. You see, I was just one of fifty ordinary young clerks before I went, and all the work of this class is now entirely in the hands of the girls—crowds of them. I was rusty, too, after four years in the Army, and there had been changes in the system.

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I am not grumbling. The company kept my job open for me, made my Army pay up to my salary, and my name is on the notice board in the list of the gallant members of the staff who gained distinction. So I must buck up and try to do a girl's job among the girls until I am fit for something better.

That is quite all right for a man with a mechanical foot.

Still, when "Punch" Smith, little Thorndike, B. C. M., "Belly" Green, D. S. O., and the rest of the boys come back, after four years of real life, are they going to settle down to be educated up to their jobs again by young things in blouses? Are the anemic O. S. "duds" to hold the administrative posts and perhaps be promoted still higher to make vacancies in the lower posts for them? Will all of them be content? I duano!—Clark Again, in the "Daily Mail."

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